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FIRE'S TINIEST SURVIVOR

A city firefighter holds a rescued kitten after a blaze at a home at 1230 Angus St. on Wednesday. The fire is believed to have started in a kitchen at the duplex. Residents were not injured. Another cat died in the fire, and one or two other cats could not be found. JEFF MACKEY/METRO

Saskatchewan's photo-radar plan faces criticism

Minister cites safety.
System described as 'cash-grab' by taxpayers federation

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Saskatchewan's highways ministry is soon to take photographs of speeding vehicles in highway construction zones — and, according to critics, position the government to also take cash far too easily and improperly out of drivers' wallets.

The province's plan to implement photo radar this summer to crack down on speeding in roadwork areas has prompted the Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) to point out the accusations of abuse that cities and provinces using the technology have faced in other jurisdictions.

"The program has been an absolute cash-grab in Manitoba. Traffic safety is always secondary to that government's desires to pilfer from the pockets of taxpayers," Colin Craig, director of the CTF's Prairie region, said in Regina on Wednesday.

Craig pointed out that in Winnipeg, where photo radar has been in use for about a decade, city officials and police have been under fire for years amid accusations that they allow a contracted service provider's mobile units to set up in street zones where speed limits are poorly posted — thus hitting motorists with hefty fines after many didn't even know they had broken the law.

But Saskatchewan Highways and Infrastructure Minister Don McMorris said the province is "absolutely not" bringing in photo radar as a revenue generator.

He stressed that it's launching the system — using camera units on a rotating basis — only to create safer conditions for work crews following the death last summer of 18-year-old Ashley Richards, who was holding flags at a construction site near Midale when she was fatally struck by a vehicle.

"This is to protect workers," McMorris said, noting that construction firms have been consulted.

"They say the general public drives way too fast through speed zones. This is purely, purely, a safety issue."

Craig, however, said if Saskatchewan officials were intent on improving safety, "they would have real police officers actually pull dangerous drivers over" and send stronger messages than tickets and fines provide when arriving through the mail.

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City identifies higher-risk flood zones for weekend

Start of urban melt.
Dog park, legislative gardens expected to be underwater this spring

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Regina's long-anticipated heavy spring run-off will likely enter a new phase this weekend, when temperatures are expected to rise.

"We always see two peaks within the city: the urban peak … and then, in a normal spring, a week to two weeks later we see a second peak coming in from the rural area," said Jay O'Connor, director of emergency management.

"With the weather forecast for this weekend, we know we will start to see some of the urban melt," said O'Connor, adding the urban melt is much smaller than the rural one, as it accounts for about five per cent of the snow out in the watershed. Some specific areas the city has identified as higher-risk zones include 17th Avenue, which has been heavily sandbagged, and 13th Avenue west of Lewvan as well as its surrounding dog park and paths.

"We are going to end up closing 13th Avenue once (the water) reaches the road," said O'Connor of the area around the 13th Avenue bridge. "The road itself will likely only be closed for, I would hope, no more than a week, but the park itself will be closed for probably a good three weeks."

The gardens in front of the Legislature, which were just given a $1.3-million upgrade, will likely also be underwater for some time this spring.

Military training

The Saskatchewan run-off has even caught the attention of the Canadian military, who will be in the province from April 26 to 28 to hold flood training exercises in Regina, Moose Jaw and Gravelbourg.

Jay O'Connor outlines the city's flood defences to the media on Wednesday. JEFF MACKEY/METRO

Ugly, hazardous junk litters city roads

Ring Road junk. ALYSSA MCDONALD/METRO

The long-overdue snow melt has left Regina looking dirty.

Furniture, clothes, bags and boxes litter ditches along Ring Road. Most of the junk fell from vehicles going to the city's landfill during the winter and had since been covered up with snow.

The Regina Police Service says such garbage is part of a larger safety problem: drivers failing to secure loads properly to their vehicles or trailers.

"It makes our city look terrible and spreads garbage everywhere and it is actually dangerous," said Sgt. Ian Barr of the RPS traffic unit.

Barr said debris forces drivers to swerve around obstacles as well as shards and nails that cause flat tires.

The fine for not securing a load properly — with a tarp or other equipment — is $175, and police said they issue them often.

City police are looking into a project this spring to raise public awareness.

Charmaine Neufeld, the city's manager of park maintenance, said garbage — including large debris and furniture — on roadsides after the snow melt is normal.

"We tend to see more of that kind of stuff along the Ring Road," said Neufeld, whose crew is responsible for ditch cleanups.

The city will begin a blitz of green spaces — parks, medians and ditches — early next week and will tackle areas free of snow and water.

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Better than expected

Province's Crown sector posts $479M net revenue in 2012

Saskatchewan's Crown sector is boasting a strong financial year in 2012.

Crown Investments Corp. of Saskatchewan announced on Wednesday that its net revenue for the year was nearly $479 million, up about $28 million from the approximately $451 million that it brought in during 2011.

In its annual report tabled at the legislature in Regina by CEO Dick Carter and Donna Harpauer, minister responsible for the corporation, CIC shows an overall performance described as better than what had been budgeted.

The report also points to SaskTel, SaskEnergy and Saskatchewan Government Insurance as having a better year in 2012 than had been anticipated.

However, CIC's total 2012 revenue of $4.54 billion was about $1 million below its take in 2011.

The total Saskatchewan Crown sector has contributed about $280 million in dividends to the province's General Revenue Fund, and has invested more than $1.5 billion into infrastructure. METRO

Donna Harpauer
METRO

Victim was in Grade 9

Community service for teacher guilty of sexual exploitation

A former Saskatchewan teacher found guilty of sexually exploiting a Grade 9 student won't be going to jail.

A judge has handed Bonnie McLachlan an 18-month conditional sentence.

She must also complete 200 hours of community service and her name will be listed on the national sex offender registry.

A jury found the woman guilty last week of initiating a sexual relationship with the 15-year-old student at the Prince Albert school where she worked in the 1990s.

It was McLachlan's second trial on the charge. She was acquitted in 2011 and the Crown appealed for a new trial. THE CANADIAN PRESS/CKBI

Students having ruff time with exams get visit from furry friends

Pair of puppies. U of R students lined up for a chance to see 'therapy' dogs Kita and Stitch

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The University of Regina is suffering from a serious case of puppy love.

Stressed-out, caffeinated and sleep-deprived students took a break from cramming for exams Wednesday to stand in a long line to see Kita and Stitch.

To help take the edge off U of R students were champing at the bit to get some time with "therapy" dogs provided by St. John Ambulance Saskatchewan.

"When you are stressed out, contact with a dog reduces stress (and) takes your mind off the things that were bothering you," said Josh Haugerud, director of community services for St. John.

The organization has more than 100 dogs that visit schools, hospitals and seniors homes across Saskatchewan. This is their first time visiting the U of R.

"I've been looking forward to the puppy room since the signs started going up a month ago," said Laura Hochban, a fourth-year history student. "It's what got me through paper writing."

Kita and Stitch will be joined by more dogs on Thursday.

"University can be a really lonely, isolated and strenuous experience ... I think something about bringing in a dog into your day just changes your attitude," said Hochban.

Haugerud said they might try to get a team visiting the university regularly.

"It's not just finals that are stressful," said student Bevan Boychuk. "Usually in March and November when all papers are due, that's a stressful time too."

Bevan Boychuk plays with Kita, an eight-year-old Pekingese Shih Tzu cross, at the puppy room at the University of Regina on Wednesday. ALYSSA MCDONALD/METRO

Woman must remove niqab, judge says

Sexual assault trial. Ontario judge concerned woman's covered face would hinder her credibility

An Ontario judge has ruled that a woman must remove her face-covering veil to testify against the men she is accusing of sexual assault.

The judge says the woman's niqab "masks her demeanour and blocks both effective cross-examination by counsel for the accused and assessment of her credibility by the trier of fact."

The 37-year-old woman, known only as N.S., alleges two men sexually assaulted her over five years, starting when she was six years old.

The question of whether she should be allowed to testify while wearing her niqab went to the Supreme Court, which issued a split decision but set out a test for judges to decide in individual cases.

The case is now back in provincial court, and Judge Norris Weisman ruled the woman must remove her veil to testify.

Weisman noted that he had to balance her religious freedom with the accused men's right to a fair trial, but in the end he was concerned that her face covering would hinder assessment of her credibility, possibly resulting in wrongful convictions.

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An Ontario judge says a woman's niqab "masks her demeanour and blocks both effective cross-examination by counsel for the accused and assessment of her credibility by the trier of fact." GETTY IMAGES FILE

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'House of horrors'

Despite reprieve, death penalty may still loom for abortion doctor

An abortion provider charged with killing babies after they were born alive won a reprieve when a judge threw out three murder counts, but the death penalty still looms if he is convicted in four other newborn deaths.

Dr. Kermit Gosnell has been in prison since a 2011 grand jury report that described his outdated West Philadelphia clinic as "a house of horrors."

Dr. Kermit Gosnell
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Judge Jeffrey Minehart had ruled Tuesday that prosecutors over the past month failed to make a case on three of the seven first-degree murder counts.

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Rehtaeh Parsons. PM, justice minister pushing tough cyberbullying laws

A crime is a crime, regardless of whether it happens on the Internet, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Wednesday as his government promised to expedite efforts to create a new law against cyberbullying.

Harper's comments followed his meeting Tuesday with the parents of Rehtaeh Parsons, the Nova Scotia teenager who took her own life earlier this month. Parsons' parents want federal laws beefed up so more can be done to combat cybercrime.

Justice Minister Rob Nicholson, meanwhile, pushed his provincial and territorial counterparts Wednesday to speed up efforts to create a law that would curb cyberbullying. Those ministers gave him the go-ahead, Nicholson said.

"Today, when I met with my counterparts, I recommended that we expedite the review of our laws by June and I was pleased to receive unanimous support," Nicholson said in an emailed statement.

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Minister of Justice Rob Nicholson speaks to reporters in Ottawa on Tuesday as he is joined by Leah Parsons, mother of Rehtaeh Parsons, second from right, and her partner, Jason Barnes, as well as Rehtaeh's father Glen Canning, second from left, and his wife, Krista. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Chiheb Esseghaier, one of two men accused of plotting a terror attack on a VIA Rail target, is led off a plane at Toronto's Buttonville Airport. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

VIA Rail accused met with al-Qaida rep, sources say

Court outburst. Criminal Code 'is not a holy book,' says the man arrested in alleged plot to hit passenger train

The Montreal suspect accused of plotting a terror attack on a passenger train allegedly met with an al-Qaida operative before coming to Canada in the summer of 2008, sources say.

And this put him on the radar of security officials here, say the sources, who have knowledge of the investigation into the alleged VIA Rail plot.

Tunisian-born Chiheb Esseghaier has been under surveillance for a year, and police became increasingly concerned after what was seen as erratic conduct aboard an airliner en route to Mexico last spring.

However, it was a recent change in behaviour that triggered police to arrest him at a McDonald's in Montreal's Central Station — not political expediency or the Boston bombing, sources said.

His co-accused, Raed Jaser, was arrested at his North York workplace on Monday.

In a Toronto court Wednesday, Esseghaier asked to speak, saying, "We know that this Criminal Code is not a holy book."

"It's just written by set of creations and the creations they're not perfect because only the creator is perfect," he added.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

New powers

Vote stirs fears over liberties

MPs have voted to give Canadian officials "exceptional" powers to probe potential terrorist acts — powers that critics say trample on civil liberties.

Legislation passed Wednesday will enable preventive arrests — holding people three days without charge.

And it opens the door to hearings where people can be compelled to testify under threat of detention.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Labour disputes

French gov't not OK with amnesty for threatening rioters

A labour union flag and a pile of burning tires are seen outside Goodyear offices in Amiens, France, on Feb. 26. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

The French government will not vote for a law that would give amnesty to workers who ransacked company offices or threatened their bosses during labour disputes. The measure stirred debate in France, especially since it passed the Senate just days before violent clashes between police and protesting tire workers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Personal finance

Canadians paying off debt faster

Fewer Canadians are letting their debt repayments lapse for more than three months compared with a year ago, according to a report by Equifax Canada. The study found the percentage of unpaid non-mortgage debt classified as going into 90-day delinquency was a moderate 1.2 per cent in the first quarter of this year, compared with 1.39 per cent in the first quarter of 2012. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Beauty boxes. Montreal's Glymm closes, leaving customers in the lurch

A screengrab from the now-defunct Glymm website. SCREEN GRAB/METRO

The business of beauty boxes appears to have hit an ugly bump as Montreal-based Glymm abruptly closed its virtual shop last Friday, leaving members wondering what happened to their money.

Glymm member Kalyn Lord, 27, an Ottawa-based blogger, said she's not shocked at the news after months of delayed shipments, subpar sample bags and shoddy customer service.

"They asked customers to be patient on Facebook and promised an email newsletter with updated shipping schedules, and at the end of the day, that's all we received from Glymm — empty promises," Lord said. She said she is owed two months' worth of products.

Members were told Glymm shut down via a short email on April 19. Simultaneously, its website, Facebook and Twitter pages vanished.

Paul Fournier, one of the founders of Glymm and — according to LinkedIn — a sales and e-commerce director at Montreal-based fashion brand Mackage, has not returned phone calls. Metro was told by a receptionist that he's on vacation.

Mir Cheung, 24, of Toronto, has been a loyal Glymm member since 2011, and said she is owed $135 from her annual subscription, plus more in unclaimed gift cards and bonus points. "This closure leaves a bad taste in my mouth," she said.

Ken Whitehurst, executive director at the Consumers Council of Canada, an independent non-profit, said the chances of a refund are slim.

IRENE KUAN/METRO ONLINE

What's a beauty box?

- The beauty-box industry has grown since LuxeBox, Glymm and TopBox all launched in 2011, with thousands of Canadian women paying to have attractive packages filled with sample-sized beauty products mailed to their doors each month.

The smart(phone) way to cash cheques arrives in Canada

Banking. To make a mobile deposit, just snap a couple of pics

The technology has been around for a few years in the U.S., but Canadian consumers are finally getting access to a mobile tool to cash their cheques by taking a photo with their smartphone.

This week, the Westminster Savings credit union in B.C. began accepting cheque deposits with its mobile app. Meridian in Ontario and Affinity Credit Union in Saskatchewan are set to follow suit next month. "Anything that we can imagine we can do in the branch or online our members are looking to do eventually on our phones," said Meridian's senior vice president and chief information officer Gary Genik.

"One of the last things left for members to drive them into the branch ... is to actually deposit and get access to cash. This provides the ability to deposit a cheque from the comfort of their own home, office, cottage — wherever they happen to be."

The technology is simple. Users just need to take photos of the front and back of a cheque to cash it within the app. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"You get home from work (and) the last thing you really want to do is go back out to a branch to deposit a cheque."

Gary Genik, Meridian's senior vice president and chief information officer

Barrick under fire on all fronts

Protesters display an effigy of Barrick Gold Corp.'s chairman and founder Peter Munk outside Toronto's Metro Convention Centre Wednesday as the mining company held its annual meeting. While the protesters focused on environmental issues and corporate responsibility, shareholders expressed their disapproval by voting against an executive pay resolution. Barrick had come under fire for a $11.9-million signing bonus paid to co-chairman John Thornton that was part of a $17-million payment package he received last year. The company has also been hit hard by falling gold prices, and work on its Pascua-Lama mine — which straddles the border of Chile and Argentina — was suspended by a Chilean appeals court amid environmental concerns about the construction of the world's highest-altitude gold and silver mine. "This has been a tough year for Barrick and our shareholders. It seems as if our company has been under siege by several disappointments and setbacks," CEO Jamie Sokalsky told the meeting. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Driller's delight. Gas workers bring creole cuisine with them

The land of scrapple and chipped ham is starting to get a taste for jambalaya and boudin.

Thanks to an influx of Southerners filling jobs in north-central Pennsylvania's booming natural gas industry, a region not often placed on many culinary maps is finding itself flush with the foodways found below the Mason-Dixon line, arguably the source of some of the U.S.'s richest culinary traditions.

Suddenly, convenience stores stock sweet tea, barbecue is a hot seller, and the almost Norman Rockwell-quaint Country Store in Pennsdale, Pa. even makes its own boudin, a pork sausage popular in Louisiana. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Geologist Steve Clark eats jambalaya on a natural gas drilling site near Montoursville, Pa. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BUT THEY'RE CANADIAN ...

HE SAYS

John Mazerolle
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If there are two topics that all Canadians love, they are taxes and history. As the tax deadline approaches, I thought it important to look back at how Canadians came to be the happy, taxpaying nation that we are today.

Strap yourself in. It's a wild ride.

Time is Money: A History of Canadian Taxes

1500s: Native groups collect percentages of food from passing European explorers. The Europeans are angry at first, but they are also early Canadians: They calm down when they learn that low-income explorers can reclaim a percentage of their cornmeal at the end of each fiscal year by attaching schedule C of form 1256 to their tax form and checking the box "voyageurs, door-to-door salesmen and other itinerant workers."

1652: Louis XIV of France imposes a 10 per cent tax on moose pelts in his colony. At the time, this was considered a sin tax. You don't want to know.

1751: Nova Scotia begins charging duties on billiard tables. Furious Nova Scotians, disguised as aboriginals, raid three ships in Halifax Harbour and try to throw hundreds of billiard tables into the sea, but only manage to throw out their backs. They're angry at first, but also Canadian: They decide to get blind drunk instead, kicking off a tradition still observed by Haligonians to this day.

1867: Canada (now better known as The Harper Government) is created, forcing the need for tax-funded flags, calendars, and pencils with flags on them. The federal government is given the high-cost items of the time, such as railway buildings and finding the best performers for the big Canada Day bash. Canadians are angry at first, but they're Canadian: They calm down when they see that the feds scored Franz Liszt for the Parliament Hill concert.

1884: The federal government places a vice tax on snuff. In an attempt to counter the obvious moral issues, the government labels each snuff tin with a 1-88-SNUFF-OUT number and a message asking, "Snuffed Enuff?"

1917: Prime Minister Robert Borden introduces the Income War Tax Act, saying that shortly after the war "the measure should be definitely reviewed." The official Hansard transcript adds that the prime minister gave big knowing winks throughout his comments before giving a running high-five to everyone in the front row of the House of Commons.

1927: The Department of National Revenue is created. To keep taxes down, the government promises the new department will be a low-cost affair with only one person to answer the phone for the whole country, an edict that is still in place.

1960s: The government begins using computers to collect tax information, guaranteeing that employees who had previously found the deluge of tax returns unmanageable could now sooth their nerves with games of Solitaire and Minesweeper.

1993: The Liberals break an election promise to eliminate the GST. After years of being calmly Canadian, taxpayers have finally had enough and punish the Liberals by tossing them from office 13 years later.

And that's a look at Canadian tax history. If it ever angers you, arm yourself with knowledge. Once you've read about important moments like Lawson v. Interior Tree Fruit and Vegetables Committee of Direction (that's real, I swear), you'll be calm again. If not comatose.

ZOOM

Domo arigato, Mr. Roboto

JEFF J MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES

You've got to hand it to him

Patrick Kane, 16, who lost his left hand as a baby, has become the first person in Britain to be fitted with a prosthetic hand that is so advanced it can be operated by a smartphone. METRO

He's 'app-y'

- Using a mobile phone application, the user can choose between 24 different pre-set grip patterns.
- When the user wants to use it manually, electrodes in the wrist pick up electrical impulses created by contracting muscles. Electrodes then transmit commands to a tiny computer implanted in the artificial hand. The computer then moves it into the desired position.

Let's shake on it

"When I'm meeting new people, it's a great conversation starter."

Patrick Kane

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While most www bots have a sole purpose to irritate anyone in their automated paths, some have surfaced with no other goal than to bring sheer delight to those caught in their webs. Give any of these a follow for some 9-5 hilarity.

@RedScareBot:
Nominated for a social media Shorty Award, Robot J. McCarthy retweets (with added snark) anything with a seemingly Communist bent. Examples that have gotten the red flag? "Chris Rock is my favorite communist because he's the funniest communist." Joe would be so proud.

@Procrastibot:
For those who need a little nudge getting off Twitter, Procrastibot sends a gentle reminder to "GET BACK TO WORK" at key lazy points in the day.

@pimentocheese:
Pimento cheese retweets all mentions of this Southern delight.

Comments

RE: Justin Trudeau Video Pitches End To Attack Ads, published April 24

I still know nothing about his platform, policies or ideas for running the country ... How about some substance, Justin? I'm not going to vote for you just because "Harper needs to go." Give me some reasons other than your nice hair and boyish smile.
Scott Ox posted to metronews.ca

His father handed Canada over to Quebec and is one of the most hated Canadians of our generation (all federal jobs requiring first language French, endless supplies of tax dollars being dumped into Quebec with equalization payments, etc). Justin is only there because of his name but I don't think he hates English Canadians as much as his family. It's going to be a tough mix as he already has the guaranteed ... French vote and has the acting training to boot to sway English Canadians. Should be a fun ride.
Crease posted to metronews.ca

Brilliant reply! When the Tory ads started immediately after Justin's victory, all I could think was "they must be really scared if they feel they need to bash him already, and he has(n't) even done anything."
DaleWale posted to metronews.ca

Now this is a really prime example of taking the high road. I'd like to hear more about his political platform, though, so Justin Trudeau definitely has my attention.
Jay posted to metronews.ca

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SCENE 2

Awards host a big fan of ad lib

SCMAs. Aaron Pitchett will be leaving his ego at the door when he emcees the Saskatchewan Country Music Awards

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Someone who's been on the music scene for two decades isn't typically viewed as a rookie, but there may be a couple of times this weekend during the Saskatchewan Country Music Awards and festival when Aaron Pritchett feels like the new kid on the block.

In addition to playing the New Artist Cabaret, albeit as the special guest, he will be hosting the Awards show Saturday night; the first time he has emceed an event in Saskatchewan.

"I didn't expect to get asked to do it but I'm not one to turn away hosting of any kind," said Pritchett.

While it may seem odd for a B.C. boy to helm Saskatchewan's big show, Pritchett has become somewhat of the go-to guy in country music when it comes to hosting events. His combination of comedic and musical talents has had him in demand across Canada.

"I don't really like to plan too much; I'm an ad libber," said Pritchett.

"I think that's what people might like about me in that role is I'm off the cuff and tend to make it up as I go as opposed to just following the script."

Although almost all bands and musicians start off small, for a while it looked like Pritchett might spend his entire career toiling in obscurity.

"I played the clubs in Vancouver and Alberta for 10 years or so and made money and had a family that I supported and that was my main focus."

Pritchett admits he believed he was destined for stardom at an early age and "had a bit of chip on his shoulder" when it didn't happen initially.

It wasn't until he hit his early 30s that the breaks finally started to go his way. He won a national contest called Project Discovery in Calgary that earned him attention as well as $10,000, which he invested into taking his career to the next level.

He signed with 604 Records, the production company of Nickelback's Chad Kroeger. Five albums and multiple hits, awards and nominations later, he achieved those initial dreams of stardom in his 30s, which he believes was perfect timing.

"When the success finally came, I was so thankful for it that all that attitude and ego was out the door," said Pritchett. "I realize how fortunate I am."

Now in his 40s he is focused on continuing his career's upward trajectory; he'll release a new single and video Suntan City next month and plans to continue entertaining for years to come.

He also promises good times for those in attendance at the SCMAs this weekend, with the possible exception of those who end up in his comedic crosshairs.

"I know a lot of the people so I can make fun of them, but they don't know that yet."

The SCMA awards gala is being held on April 27 at Dakota Dunes Casino.

Aaron Pritchett headlines the 2013 Saskatchewan Country Music Association Awards in Saskatoon this weekend.
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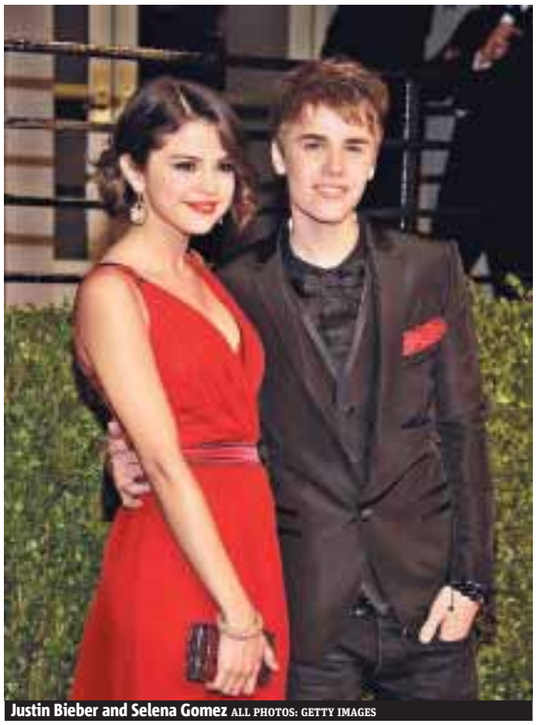


Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

The one love for Justin and Selena?

Do Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez's make-out sessions during their reunion in Europe this week mean that the couple is back together? Maybe, maybe not, according to Us Weekly.

"They have a crazy connection," a source close to Bieber says, but "they aren't back together." Another source says it's anyone's guess: "Who knows with them? They're always back and forth." If they are in fact back together, Bieber can take the credit, according to a Gomez pal: "Justin pursued Selena and she gave in," the source says.

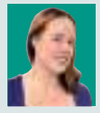
Justin Bieber

Then I saw his ink, now I'm a Belieber

In other Justin Bieber news, the 19-year-old is continuing his mission to have his left arm completely covered by tattoos, showing off two new pieces while leaving his Stockholm hotel, according to E! News. The latest additions include a roaring tiger head on his upper arm and an angel near his wrist. Between them are an owl and a koi fish, both added within the last two months. The latest work brings Bieber's tattoo count to an estimated 14.

The Word

Sean Lowe is like a virgin, but not really



THE WORD
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The Bachelor is a virgin no longer.

Nothing makes me roll my eyes harder than the phrase "born again virgin" unless it's a celebrity proclaiming, "We're going to be married forever!" As it turns out, Sean Lowe, who was known as the Virgin Bachelor on this season of The Bachelor for his insistence of not fornicating (again) until marriage, won't be sacrificed to the gods anytime soon.

Two sources confirm in the new issue of Life & Style that Sean did in fact sleep with his fiancée, Catherine Giudici, while the show was still airing.

"Yes, they definitely had sex," a "Bachelor insider" reveals exclusively to Life & Style. "The first time was the night he proposed in Thailand."

A second source close to Catherine confirms the flings, saying, "Sean and Catherine have hooked up already. The whole born-again-virgin thing is a bunch of B.S. It's just something he made up for the show."

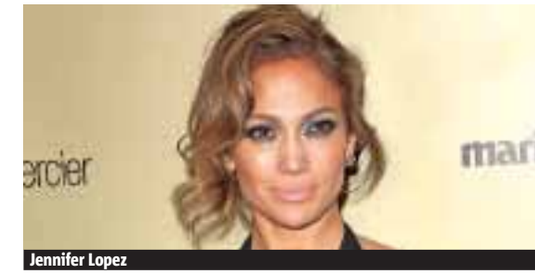
Wait. A network made up something on a reality TV show in order to get ratings? Stop blowing my mind, Life & Style.

Reese Witherspoon

Witherspoon's arrest not the end of the world, according to pal Chelsea

Everyone needs to calm down about Reese Witherspoon's disorderly conduct arrest, at least according to Witherspoon pal Chelsea Handler. "She's doing fine. She's doing fine, you know?" Handler tells Entertainment Tonight.

"She was just trying to protect her husband. I mean, everybody makes mistakes, so it's not a big deal." Witherspoon's arrest came after she allegedly argued with an Atlanta-area police officer who had pulled over her husband, Jim Toth, for allegedly driving while intoxicated.



Jennifer Lopez

Idol: Out with Mariah and back in with JLo?

The folks behind American Idol have apparently been having second thoughts about this season's judges, as producers were reportedly mulling over the idea of bringing back former judge Jennifer Lopez to replace Mariah Carey in a bid to stop the reality show's ratings free-fall, according to the Hollywood Reporter. Sources say producers had even begun negotiations with Lopez to return as soon as possible, but apparently Carey got wind of the talks and threatened to sue. The show's producers are reportedly still hoping for a Lopez guest-spot for the show's finale and are considering replacing the entire judging panel for next season.

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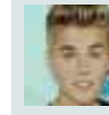

@justinbieber
will u always be there?

@WhitneyCummings
Stop making your nicknames longer than your actual name. Talking to you, Joe Joe.

@AmandaBynes
Dear @UsWeekly — I don't know why u feel the need to make up stories about me. I don't talk to light fixtures.

KE$HA

Pop's queen of chaos lets us in on her messy makeup tips, her music and her new MTV documentary.

STOP. SPARKLE. ROLL.

You're about to go on tour with Pitbull. How do you keep on top of your beauty regimen on the road?
I could go for two days without a shower, but I always take care of my skin and my face. The rest of my life is chaos, but I'm pretty religious about that. I cleanse and moisturize all the time because I'm prone to having dry skin. I've also started putting a tiny, pea size amount of retinol in my night cream. It supposedly helps your skin exfoliate constantly.

In your song TiK ToK, you sing about brushing your teeth with a bottle of Jack. Are you the type to fall asleep with your makeup on?
Whisky isn't necessarily my first choice when it comes to dental hygiene. I always wash my face. Sometimes I just leave the eyes because I like my makeup better the next morning, it looks naturally wild. It creates this sexy, smoky eye that I don't know how to create myself. It looks great.

Speaking of eyes, you seem to have a thing for glitter.
I cover myself in glitter! I pour it on the ground, lay in it and roll around. Then my glitter roadie sprinkles it all over me. His job is to make sure every inch of my body is covered.

Is he a makeup artist?
No, he just has a beard.

Your hair. The waves, the cornrows, it must be high maintenance.
My hair is a constant battle. It's like the fifth member of my band. I have to keep it healthy. But it's a struggle when I'm bleaching and styling it constantly. So I sleep in Kérastase Deep Conditioner, Bumble and Bumble Mending Conditioner or Moroccan Oil. When I don't have someone plucking and prodding my head, I tie it up in a messy bun.

You recently wrapped up filming your MTV documentary, Ke$ha: My Crazy Beautiful Life. Did you keep on a full face of makeup throughout filming?
It's ridiculous … you'll see me with no makeup, no hair, no nothing. I'm running around without a bra on, looking so disheveled.

A lot of tabloids have made a big deal about your recent weight loss. Has fame changed you, physically?
Of course. I have to be stricter with myself than I ever was before. When I train for my tour, it's like I'm training for an athletic event. Every morning when I wake up, I try to meditate and get in the right mental headspace in order to kick ass. With my first record, I didn't realize how many eyes would be on me. This time around I'm prepared.

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Amazing Sneaker Culture Exhibit opens @batashoe museum tonite: This 2013 Adidas Totem pair by @ITSJEREMYSCOTT

What a joyful table! Theme is French country picnic...@ Vivian_Reiss has certainly set the scene...

At the Trump Hotel for the @sharpmagazine big bash with editor in chief Jeremy Freed.

The Kit

Canadian street style

Spotted in: Toronto

Tisha
Toronto
Production Designer
Age: 26

What she's wearing
Boots from Urban Outfitters, Le Chateau tights, Vintage skirt and coat, American Apparel turtle neck, Chosen Vintage hat.

Her inspiration
Fashion from old films like The Good, the Bad and the Ugly and Casablanca (I'd say I am more like Humphrey Bogart than Ingrid Bergman)!

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Nicola, minus the meat

Fueled by fashion.
Ex-Mugler designer signs on to Diesel after style-world speculation

The man behind Lady Gaga's meat dress is set to hit commercial street. Nicola Formichetti was confirmed this month as Diesel's first artistic director.

The collaboration follows much speculation amongst fashion press and industry insiders about his next move after it was announced that he'd be leaving Thierry Mugler.

Renzo Rosso, the owner of holding group OTB SpA, which operates Diesel, quipped to WWD, "I finally met somebody as crazy as I am. I have replaced myself and can go on vacation."

Jokes aside, what this means is that the stylist-turned-designer will be responsible for "a total view of the Diesel brand: product, communications, marketing and interior things, different things," adds Rosso.

"Different" is certainly something that the 35-year-old has down pat. Remember Gaga arriving in an alien-esque egg at the 2011 Grammy's? It begs the question as to whether the singer will be making a staged appearance at the Diesel shows like she did during Formichetti's two-year tenure at Thierry Mugler.

Our first glimpse of Formichetti's vision will come in September with the launch of Diesel's ad campaign. Sadly, we'll have to wait until autumn /winter 2014 to see the Tokyo-born designer's first collection.
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Lady Gaga and Nicola Formichetti snuggle up in Gaga's Workshop at Barneys New York in 2011. Formichetti is best known for creating some of Gaga's most memorable costumes. JAMIE MCCARTHY/GETTY IMAGES FOR BARNEYS NEW YORK

Fashion flash

Best foot forward

The easiest way to integrate a little spring into your daily uniform right now is with your footwear. We suggest starting with these graphic Clarks, designed by Eley Kishimoto. They'll feel really good as you pound the pavement during the last dregs of winter, but they'll also look cute with denim cut-offs come summer. See the entire collection, in a range of colours, at eleykish-imoto.com.
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Trends Report

- **Circle contact lenses have become trendy for a lot of women in Asia, used to make their eyes appear larger and brighter.** Go online to Trends Report to see how these lenses can alter one's appearance. But is this a good thing? metronews.ca/voices/trends-report

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Thrill your style-conscious butler

As a fan of Downton Abbey, I have fallen in love with those larger-than-life homes portrayed on the show. I may not ever get to live in one, but one can dream, can't he? But since I got a hold of The Butler Speaks (by Charles MacPherson, Random House) I've also taken on a whole new appreciation for the folks that live in the lower level of those big mansions. Knowing how to domestically survive in today's busy world is one of the most important things we can achieve. A well-run household (no matter how big or small) ensures a clean, orderly and, ultimately, stylish space. Here are a few basics to turn you into the perfect home butler. I think Charles The Butler would agree.

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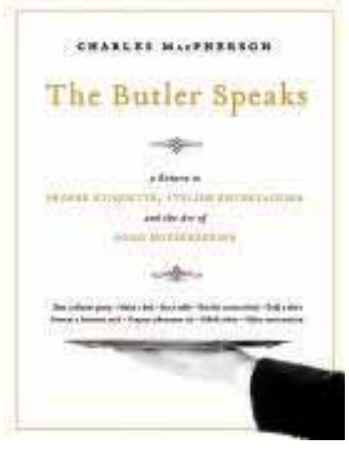
The Butler Speaks

This is everything you never paid attention to while living at home: stylish entertaining, etiquette and the art of good housekeeping. Read this book and you will become the chicest domestic expert around. Written by Canada's domestic authority and world renown butler, Charles MacPherson. $30, randomhouse.ca



Suck it up and get cleaning

This vacuum may be small, but it has the performance of a full-size machine, and is perfect for small spaces that still need a good cleaning once in a while. Its two-tier cyclone system helps to capture microscopic dust, mold and spores for the perfectly clean home. Dyson's DC51 Animal Upright, $550, futureshop.ca

Silver glove service

Made of heavy-gage terry and treated with tarnish preventative, this glove makes polishing precious metals a breeze. Grannies' treasures never looked so good in such little time. Hagerty Silver Cleaning Gloves, $20/pair, hagertycanada.ca

Tray chic in bed

Wanna serve breakfast in bed? Then do it right with a sturdy-handled tray made of renewable bamboo. Its folding legs make it convenient for storage. Natural Living Bamboo Breakfast Tray, $25, sears.ca

Steam perfect

From tablecloths to cotton shirts, a compact steamer will keep most fabric items around the house looking smooth. Every stylish walk-in has one, so why shouldn't you? Rowenta Pro Compact Steamer, $70, sears.ca

Table protection

Perfect for use under your favourite tablecloth. It's made of heavy-weight vinyl to keep your dining table's surface top safe from heat and scratches. Hotel Deluxe Vinyl Table Pad, $20 to $45, bedbathandbeyond.ca

Rhubarb balances sweetness in pork

An import from England, rhubarb was known in 19th century America as "the pie plant" because that was where it usually ended up. But rhubarb's acidity makes it a great addition to savoury dishes, too.

On the shelf in your grocery store, rhubarb looks a lot like celery, except that it's usually a fetching reddish-purple in colour. It comes in long, slender stalks, with strings running from top to bottom. To eliminate the toughness of the strings, some cooks peel their rhubarb before cooking. You can deal with the issue by thinly slicing the stalks across the grain of the strings.

Given its high water content, turning rhubarb into a sauce requires little more than cooking it. It breaks down quickly and becomes nice and thick. In this recipe, it needed some counter-balancing sweetness, so adding a splash of fresh orange juice does the trick.

As for the cut of pork on which we ladle this sauce, go with the tenderloin instead of its neighbour, the loin. Both are lean, but they call it the tenderloin, after all, for a reason. However, this isn't to say it won't turn out tough and dry if you overcook it, so be sure to keep your eye on the cooking time.

Pork Tenderloin Medallions with Rhubarb-Orange Sauce

This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients

- 2 pork tenderloins, trimmed of fat
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 2 cups thinly sliced rhubarb
- 2 tsp sugar
- 2 tbsp minced shallot
- 1/2 tsp minced garlic
- 1 cup orange juice
- 2 tsp water
- 1 tsp cornstarch
- 2 tsp Dijon mustard
- Chopped fresh chives, to garnish

1. Season pork on all sides with salt and pepper.

2. In skillet over medium-high, heat 1 tablespoon of oil. Working in batches, add pork to skillet. Cook, turning to brown on all sides, for about 4 to 5 minutes, or until the pork is just pink at the centre (about 145 F). Transfer the pork to a plate, cover with foil and let it rest while you prepare the sauce.

3. Return skillet to heat and add remaining tablespoon of oil, rhubarb and sugar. Sauté 2 minutes. Add shallots and garlic and cook, stirring, for another minute. Add the orange juice and simmer for 2 minutes.

4. In bowl, whisk water and cornstarch, then add to simmering broth in stream, whisking. Return sauce to boil, then whisk in mustard and any juices that have collected on the plate from the pork.

5. To serve, divide pork between 6 plates, then top with some sauce. Garnish with chives. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ SARA MOULTON, AUTHOR OF SARA MOULTON'S EVERYDAY FAMILY DINNERS

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Dinner. Hoisin-Glazed Ham with Cabbage Slaw

This recipe is ideal for large gatherings as it serves 24. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients

For the ham
- 10- to 12-lb bone-in ham
- 9.4-oz jar hoisin sauce
- 1 1/2 tsp five-spice powder
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 2 tbsp grated fresh ginger

For the slaw
- 1 head Napa cabbage, thinly sliced
- 1 bunch scallions, trimmed and sliced
- 6 oz snow peas
- 2 tbsp rice vinegar
- 2 tbsp canola oil
- 1 tbsp grated fresh ginger
- 1 tbsp sugar
- Salt and pepper

1. Heat oven to 300 F. Fit roasting pan with a roasting rack.

2. Set ham on rack, then slice hash pattern over entire surface, cutting about 1/2 inch deep. Roast for 1 hour.

3. In bowl whisk hoisin, five-spice powder, red pepper flakes, garlic powder and ginger. Once ham has roasted 1 hour, brush half of glaze over surface of ham, being sure to get some of glaze down into checked slice marks. Roast another hour, then brush the ham with the remaining glaze.

4. Continue roasting, monitoring temperature and colour. Cook until ham reaches 160 F at centre, about another 2 hours. If outside of ham begins to get too dark, tent with foil. Remove ham from oven and let it rest for 15 minutes.

5. While ham bakes, prepare slaw. In bowl, combine Napa cabbage, scallions and snow peas. Cover with plastic wrap, then refrigerate until ready to serve. When ready, in bowl whisk rice vinegar, oil, ginger, sugar and salt and pepper. Toss slaw with the dressing just before serving.

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Sitting a point outside the playoffs with one game left, forward Blake Wheeler says the Jets now have to leave their best on the ice "and cross our fingers and that's the best we can do." RICHARD WOLOWICZ/GETTY IMAGES

Fingers crossed: Jets' outlook dire

NHL. Despite impressive 6-1-1 late-season push, Winnipeg is counting on other teams to falter in order to sneak into playoffs

For most of the regular season, the Winnipeg Jets looked like a pretty good bet to make the playoffs.

Now their playoff hopes are slim at best entering Thursday's must-win game against the Montreal Canadiens.

The Jets fell back in the Eastern Conference standings after a five-game slide started in late March. That forced a mad rush over the last couple weeks to catch up to the teams ahead of them.

Winnipeg has posted an impressive 6-1-1 record in its last eight games, but the odds are still not in their favour.

"Had every team in front of us not won every single game, we might be talking about a different situation here," forward Blake Wheeler said Wednesday after practice.

For the Jets to get in, Winnipeg (24-20-3) must beat the visiting Habs and hope the Ottawa Senators or New York Rangers lose their remaining games.

Wheeler said the Jets have to give it all they've got in their last game of the regular season.

"We've certainly left it all on the ice up to this point and we're going to do that tomorrow night and cross our fingers and that's the best we can do," he said.

Winnipeg coach Claude Noel said his team has matured since last season but his players still need to get their goal differential into positive territory.

"That's not because we don't want to get there, it's because we're not able to right now, whether that's partially special teams or partially personnel," he said.

Wheeler said his teammates can hold their heads up for the way they have battled back to close out the season with at least a chance of making the playoffs.

"There's going to be ups and downs in any season," he said. "We had our ups and we had our downs. It's true that we set ourselves behind the eight ball, but with that said, what we've done down the stretch is what I'm going to choose to focus on." THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

Hurricanes make home finale a family affair

The Carolina Hurricanes are going Staal in for the home finale.

They added their third Staal brother Wednesday when right-winger Jared Staal was called up from their AHL affiliate in Charlotte. He joins older brothers Eric and Jordan Staal on the roster.

"The more, the merrier," Eric, the team captain, said after practice Wednesday.

Jared is scheduled to make his NHL debut Thursday night against the New York Rangers — brother Marc Staal's team.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

Top defender Karlsson travels with Sens to D.C.

Ottawa Senators head coach Paul MacLean said defenceman Erik Karlsson will join the team on its trip to Washington for Thursday's game against the Capitals but no decision has been made on when he might return to action.

The star blue-liner has been out of the lineup since suffering a serious injury to his Achilles tendon on Feb. 13.

Karlsson was expected to miss the rest of the season following surgery to repair the tendon, which was sliced by a skate during a game. However, the defending Norris Trophy winner recently returned to practice and was back with regular defence partner Marc Methot for Wednesday's skate.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA. Grizz centre Gasol gets top defender honours

Grizzlies centre Marc Gasol won his first NBA Defensive Player of the Year award Wednesday after anchoring the league's stingiest defence.

Gasol received 212 points and 30 first-place votes to edge Miami's LeBron James, who had 149 points and 18 first-place votes.

The big Spaniard averaged 1.7 blocks and 1.0 steals for a Memphis defence that allowed a league-best 88.7 points per game. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Grizzlies centre Marc Gasol GETTY IMAGES

MLB

Blue Jays walk away with a win in Baltimore

Jim Johnson walked Maicer Izturis with the bases loaded in the 11th inning to force in the tiebreaking run, and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Orioles 6-5 Wednesday to avert a three-game sweep in Baltimore.

J.P. Arencibia, Jose Bautista, Edwin Encarnacion and Rajai Davis hit home runs for Toronto.

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NHL. Kings captain Brown banned for final two games

Los Angeles Kings captain Dustin Brown was suspended for two games without pay by the NHL on Wednesday for elbowing Minnesota forward Jason Pominville on Tuesday night.

No penalty was assessed on second-period hit to the head in the Kings' 2-1 loss at Minnesota. Brown hit Pominville in the jaw, knocking him on his back.

The suspension will cost Brown $34,324.

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Kings captain Dustin Brown GETTY IMAGES

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You won't miss a thing that goes on today and every piece of information will be filed away for future use. Knowledge is power and you can never have too much of it. You won't abuse it though, right?

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You may not know what you have done to deserve so much good fortune but you would be a fool not to make use of it. Someone will try to make you feel guilty about it today. Don't let them.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Resist the urge to point out others' faults and failings today. Keep your opinions to yourself and keep facts and figures that could cause relationship problems to yourself as well.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You may wish you were some place else than where you are right now but you can still have a lot of fun. Make an effort to enjoy yourself over the next 24 hours — and bring joy to other people as well.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
What you discover about a loved one today may come as a bit of a shock but the signs have been there for ages. You may not agree with what they are doing but give them your support anyway.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
There is no point clinging to an outdated way of doing things and if you think you can, the lunar eclipse will make things tough for you.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
If you want people to support what you are going to be doing then you must explain to them, in as simple language as possible, what it's all about.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Today's lunar eclipse in your sign could cause a bit of trouble, but only if you allow your emotions to carry you away. Whatever happens, be it "good" or be it "bad", treat it all as part of the game.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
It's not like you to let fear hold you back but for some reason unable to move forward or back. This troubling phase will pass. You'll soon be back to your cheerful self.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Friendships are under good stars at the moment but there is a danger today that a small misunderstanding could grow into something much bigger. Whatever you see or hear, don't take it too seriously.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Today's rather intense cosmic activity means the changes now taking place may not be entirely to your liking. That's too bad. You won't be able to change them back, so why not just go along for the ride?

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
There is so much information coming your way now that it threatens to drown you in facts and figures that all point in different directions. Follow your instincts. They're seldom wrong. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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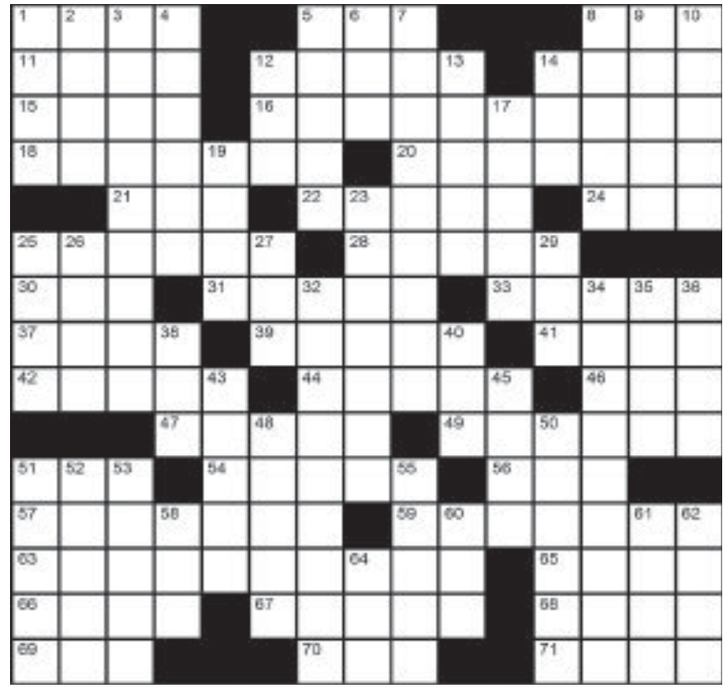
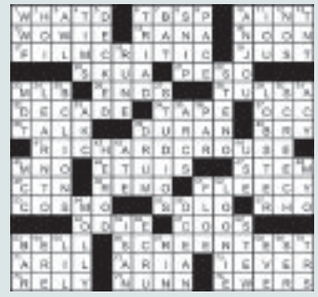


Across
1. Experiment-conducting spots
5. Jam container
8. __ Jones
11. Wings, to Nero
12. Belonging to Italy's capital
14. "...__ _ ring on it." - Beyonce
15. Assist
16. "I Will Give You Everything" band
18. Say again
20. Edmonton-born politician Mr. Manning
21. Summer mo.
22. Rent again
24. 'Comp' completer (Be 'green')
25. Gymnastics 'Horse'
28. "Quo __?" (Latin: Where are you going?)
30. Television alien
31. Mr. Studdard
33. Shore sights
37. "_ __ it!" (Yay me!)
39. Remedies
41. Dorothy's dog
42. Mr. Hough, pro dancer on "Dancing with the Stars"
44. Heads: French
46. "Platoon" (1986) war, for short
47. "The __ of Life"
49. The Arctic __
51. "What __ _, chopped liver?"
54. W. __ Wilson (Canadian entrepreneur who is part owner of the NHL's Nashville Predators)
56. Sixth music syllable, variantly
57. Paint coating
59. Quaker product
63. North __ (Birthplace of #54-Across)
65. __-dieu (Furniture piece for praying)
66. X-Men character, __ the Untouchable
67. Butterfingers
68. Earth goddess in Richard Wagner's opera Das Rheingold
69. Docs
70. Calendar spans

[abbr.]
71. Pair

Down
1. Bert of "The Wizard of Oz" (1939)
2. Sailing side
3. Provincial tree of New Brunswick: 2 wds.
4. Deviated __ (Nose problem)
5. Batman foe, The __
6. Songstress Ms. Grant
7. Mars, The __: 2 wds.
8. "__ unforeseen circumstances...": 2 wds.
9. Others: Spanish
10. "That __ so bad afterall."
12. Alphabet trio
13. Begot
14. Some movie ratings
17. Comprehend: 2 wds.
19. New-__
23. Highest mount
25. Taken-care-of bill
26. Word with Ye
27. Director, Jean-__ Godard
29. Use a chair
32. Monarch __
34. Canadian hockey commentator: 2 wds.
35. And others, briefly: 2 wds.
36. A few
38. Rapper, Mos __
40. Dry, as wine
43. Afghanistan capital
45. Sediment
48. Fish __ Provincial Park, AB
50. __ up (Made stronger)
51. Beatles' White __
52. __ __ Pa (Some parents)
53. Rhythmical stress
55. Wrongdoings, in law
58. Liq. amounts
60. Woodworking tool [var. sp.]
61. Egypt-themed opera
62. Starring role
64. Particular pronoun

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

		3	7	9		4		
		6						5
1			5			9	6	
	3	4		6	5			
			1	2		3	8	
	9	7			3			8
8						2		
		1		8	4	5		

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	6	9	4	2	7	5	3	8
2	4	5	3	8	9	6	7	1
3	7	8	1	5	6	9	2	4
6	5	3	2	7	1	8	4	9
8	2	1	9	4	5	7	6	3
4	9	7	8	6	3	2	1	5
9	8	4	6	3	2	1	5	7
5	1	2	7	9	4	3	8	6
7	3	6	5	1	8	4	9	2

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